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## National Bank Statistics.

The annual report of John J. Knox, Comptroller of the Currency, which is published, with the regular appendix, furnishes some interesting figures concerning the capital and dividends of the National Banks of the country. The following abstracts show the number of banks in the principal cities, their capital and dividends, and the ratio of their dividends to capital, for the six months from March to September, 1878:

CITY.	No. of banks.	Capital.	Dividends.	Ratio of dividends to capital.
New York	47	\$53,000,000	\$1,994,150	3.75
Boston	31	41,822,000	1,219,900	2.92
Philadelphia	31	16,453,700	541,500	3.29
Pittsburgh	22	10,536,000	372,500	3.53
Baltimore	10	10,653,100	319,575	3.00
Chicago	10	9,000,000	275,000	3.06
Louisville	8	2,905,000	85,450	2.94
St. Louis	8	2,875,000	85,450	2.94
Cincinnati	6	3,400,000	125,000	3.65
Albany	7	2,000,000	74,750	3.74
San Francisco	7	1,225,000	45,000	3.67
Cleveland	6	4,350,000	177,200	4.06
Portland	4	1,500,000	55,000	3.67
St. Paul	4	2,100,000	84,000	4.00
Milwaukee	4	650,000	24,000	3.69
San Francisco	3	750,000	27,500	3.69

The following statement shows the same facts concerning the national banks in the several States not including the cities above named:

State.	No. of banks.	Capital.	Dividends.	Ratio of dividends to capital.
Maine	72	\$10,750,000	\$470,150	4.37
N. Hampshire	46	8,749,000	271,250	3.11
Vermont	41	1,500,000	55,000	3.67
Massachusetts	182	44,197,000	1,810,300	4.09
Rhode Island	62	20,079,000	685,400	3.41
Connecticut	11	15,350,700	519,000	3.38
New York	223	51,189,200	1,779,800	3.48
Illinois	69	14,100,000	485,000	3.44
Pennsylvania	178	28,282,900	1,208,750	4.27
Delaware	13	1,663,000	75,000	4.51
Maryland	19	2,381,700	106,500	4.51
Virginia	19	3,280,000	115,500	3.52
North Carolina	15	1,740,000	72,750	4.18
South Carolina	12	2,000,000	80,000	4.00
Georgia	12	2,000,000	80,000	4.00
Florida	1	50,000	1,500	3.00
Alabama	10	1,500,000	60,000	4.00
Texas	31	1,500,000	60,000	4.00
Arkansas	7	200,000	8,000	4.00
Kentucky	25	800,000	32,000	4.00
Tennessee	25	800,000	32,000	4.00
Ohio	80	18,700,000	800,000	4.28
Indiana	95	15,350,000	645,000	4.20
Illinois	128	11,434,000	515,750	4.51
Michigan	36	2,500,000	100,000	4.00
Wisconsin	29	2,500,000	100,000	4.00
Low	77	6,017,000	262,000	4.35
Minnesota	30	4,750,000	205,000	4.31
Missouri	19	1,663,000	80,000	4.81
Kansas	12	900,000	44,000	4.95
Nebraska	10	1,000,000	50,000	5.00
Colorado	12	900,000	45,000	5.00
California	7	1,500,000	75,000	5.00
New Mexico	2	300,000	15,000	5.00
Idaho	1	100,000	5,000	5.00
Montana	1	100,000	5,000	5.00
Wyoming	2	125,000	6,250	5.00
Dakota	1	50,000	2,500	5.00
Totals	2,017	\$470,281,000	\$17,000,250	3.61

The total includes both tables—the cities and the States. For the corresponding months in 1870, the ratio of dividend to capital was 5 per cent; in 1871 it was the same; in 1872 it was 5.1 per cent; in 1873 it was the same, and also in 1874; in 1875 the ratio fell to 4.9 per cent, and in 1876 to 4.5, being the lowest in 1877; so that the fall of the last year to 3.51 shows that the banking system was less profitable in 1878 than for the eight preceding years. It will be seen above that Detroit is the best city, and Oregon the best State for dividends on bank stock.

## THE LEGISLATURE.

MONDAY, JANUARY 13.

## SENATE.

Senate met at 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. T. F. Clancy of the Baptist Church.

The journals of Friday and Saturday were read and approved.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Finance Committee.—Mr. Newman, Chairman, reported Senate bill No. 20, to amend section 48 of chapter 26 of the code in relation to what personal property is to be listed for taxation, with recommendation that it do pass.

Also Senate bill No. 49, to regulate State deposits with recommendation that it do pass.

Education.—Mr. Kirtley, Chairman, reported Senate bill No. 5, providing for the reorganization of certain bonds, with recommendation that it do pass.

Banks and Corporations.—Mr. Ferguson, Chairman, reported Senate bill No. 25, relating to the appointment of special receivers, with the recommendation that it pass.

## RESOLUTIONS.

By Mr. Faulkner: That that portion of the Governor's message relating to the organization of a military force and the preservation of public peace be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs. Referred.

By Mr. Butler: That the report of the Commission on the State of the State, passed April 10, 1878, be referred to the Committee on Finance. Referred.

By Mr. Jones: Resolved, That the Committee on Judiciary inquire into the expediency of abolishing the County Court, and also amend the Constitution to provide for the trial of civil causes by the Circuit Courts, consisting of a president and two associate judges, and furthermore that no two of them shall be elected for the same county. Referred.

Senate bill No. 4, providing for the reorganization of certain bonds, was read for the first time and ordered to a second reading.

Senate bill No. 49, reported by the Finance Committee, above mentioned, was read for the first time and rejected.

Senate bill No. 35: A bill to re-enact sec. 60 of chap. 123 of the acts of 1872-73, entitled "An act to amend and re-enact the school law of the State, passed April 12, 1873." Read for the first time and ordered to a second reading.

Senate bill No. 6, a bill changing the time of holding the Circuit Courts in the Eighth Judicial Circuit, was read for the second time, and on motion the rules were suspended and the bill passed to the third reading.

On motion the bill was read for a third time and passed.

Mr. Dennis was appointed to communicate the passage of the bill to the House of Delegates.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 5, authorizing the Governor to appoint three delegates to a convention of the States, April 10, 1879, for the purpose of considering and perfecting a system for the organization of the National Guard, was read and adopted.

Mr. Wood was appointed to communicate the adoption of the resolutions to the House.

Mr. Ferguson introduced a joint resolution, authorizing the Governor to appoint revisors to collect and reduce into one volume the acts of the Legislature.

On motion, the Senate adjourned until this morning at 10 o'clock.

## HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

House met at 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. A. C. George of the Fourth Street M. E. Church.

The Journal of Friday's proceedings was read by the Clerk, and on motion Mr. Butler, the Journal of Saturday's proceedings was partly read by the Clerk, and on motion

tion of Mr. Butler the further reading was dispensed with.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Reynolds, from the Committee on Privileges and Elections, reported the report of the committee on each member of the House is entitled. Several amendments as to amount were made. The report was then adopted.

Mr. Hill, Chairman of the Committee on Education, reported House bill No. 21, in relation to the tax to be levied for school purposes with recommendation that it do pass.

Also House bill No. 20, a bill providing for the faithful execution of wills and to facilitate the same, with recommendation that it do not pass.

Also an expedient resolution referred to adopt the whipping post in this State.

Mr. Hutton, Chairman of the Committee on Roads and Internal Navigation, reported House bill No. 10, an act to provide for the opening and keeping in repair of county roads, with recommendation that it do pass.

Mr. Monroe, Chairman of the Committee on Rules, reported several amendments to the standing rules of the House. Laid over for one day.

The following bills were introduced and severally referred to their proper committees:

By Mr. Poundstone: House bill No. 53, to empower arbitrators to issue subpoenas for witness to testify before them and to administer oath to such witnesses.

By Mr. Bradford: House bill No. 54, to provide for the construction of a bridge across Tygart's Valley river in Barbour county near Billington.

By Mr. Harvey: House bill No. 35, in relation to the assessment of taxes.

By Mr. Jones: House bill No. 55, relating to the incorporation of railroad companies, so as to permit bona fide stock dividends.

By Mr. Ewing: House bill No. 57, in relation to witness in civil actions, also House bill No. 58, to authorize Judges of Circuit Courts to appoint stenographers.

By Mr. Parsons: House bill No. 50, to prevent any clerk, sheriff or deputy from acting as an attorney at law in any action and to subject the penalty for any officer so acting \$50.

By Mr. Snider: House bill No. 60, to construct a bridge across the Little Kanawha at Glenview.

By Mr. Harvey: House bill No. 61, permitting affidavits to accounts to be introduced as prima facie evidence in actions of assumpsit.

By Mr. Stewart: House bill No. 62, to amend and re-enact Sections 11 and 13 of Chapter 98 of the Code in relation to a husband's liability for the debt of his wife contracted before marriage.

By Mr. Calvert: House bill No. 63, in relation to assessment districts in certain counties of this State.

By Mr. Cline: House bill No. 64, in relation to appeals and supersedeas.

By Mr. Furber: House bill No. 65, a bill to amend and re-enact the road law of this State.

By Mr. Johnston: House bill No. 66, to make the farm of Ben. B. Stout a part of the independent school district of Clarksburg.

By Mr. Harvey: House bill No. 67, in relation to suits brought by or against partnership or corporations.

By Mr. Kirtley: House bill No. 68, in relation to voting for certain officers in the city of Huntington.

By Mr. Hagan: House bill No. 69, a bill to compel trustees and assignees to give bonds.

By Mr. Rock: House bill No. 70, an act to prevent the collection of over six per cent interest on any trust deed, note or claim sued on, and to punish any violation of the same by a forfeiture of twice the amount of the excess of interest over six per cent.

## PETITIONS.

By Mr. Bradford: Petition of A. M. Wolford and 28 others asking an appropriation for a wagon road in Randolph county. Referred.

By Mr. Taylor: Petition of T. P. Jeffrey, of Ritchie county, asking a change of location of the Northwestern turnpike. Referred.

By Mr. Scherr: Petition of 81 citizens of Grant county asking that S. H. Smith, Sheriff, receive \$150 for the capture of W. M. Douglas, a convicted felon.

By Mr. Roush: Petition of 31 citizens of Mason county for a stock law for Cooper district. Referred.

By Mr. Sheppard: Petition of citizens of Wood county asking amendments to the school law. Referred.

By Mr. Sheppard: Petition of 188 citizens of Wirt county asking that the present County Court system be abolished or modified, and to extend the jurisdiction of the Justices. Referred.

By Mr. Unger: Petition of 28 citizens of Mason county asking that an amendment be made in the school law.

## RESOLUTIONS.

The following resolutions were introduced:

By Mr. Hutton: That the Janitor be directed to carpet the four committee rooms not carpeted. Adopted.

Also, that part of the Governor's message relating to strikes be referred to the Committee on Roads, &amp;c. Referred.

By Mr. Shelton: In relation to the school fund of each school district of the State. Referred.

By Mr. Jacob: To dispose with the additional bonds of sheriffs on account of school funds, in their possession. Referred.

By Mr. Butler: To refer to the Committee on Education that part of the Governor's message relating to Normal Schools. Referred.

By Mr. Jacob: To reduce cost of Juries. Referred.

By Mr. Campbell: To amend the constitution in reference to salaries of State officers. Referred.

By Mr. Colver: To provide for the payment of advertisements of delinquent lands. Referred.

By Mr. Parsons: To abolish the common law forms of actions in the courts of this State. Referred.

By Mr. Shelton: In relation to a change in the school law. Referred.

By Mr. Roush: To amend the school law so as to make members eligible to election to the office of County Superintendent and membership of Boards of Education. Referred.

By Mr. Tony: To require ten days work on county roads, instead of two. Referred.

By Mr. Hutton: House Joint Resolution No. 1, providing an amendment to the Constitution so as to make a new apportionment of representatives to the House of Delegates. Laid on the table and ordered printed.

On motion of Mr. Reynolds, House Joint Resolution No. 7, requesting our representatives in Congress to advocate the passage of a law to make a standard rate of interest for the loan of money throughout the United States, was taken from the table and read for the second time. Mr. Bradford offered an amendment that the rate be fixed at 6 per cent. Adopted.

Mr. Post further amended the resolution making a violation of such a law a forfeiture of the entire amount loaned. Adopted.

On motion the resolution, as amended, was laid on the table.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Falkenberg for one day.

A message from the Senate, by Senator Wood, announced that that body had adopted Senate Joint Resolution No. 5, authorizing the Governor to appoint three delegates to a convention of the States, April 10, 1879, for the purpose of considering and perfecting a system for the organization of the National Guard, and asked the adoption of the same by the House.

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Mr. Lewis introduced House joint resolution No. 8 instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives in Congress to urge the passage of the "Texas" bill.

Mr. Hagan objected to the resolution, it was laid over for one day.

On motion of Mr. Hagan the House, at 12:20 P. M. adjourned until to-morrow at 10 A. M.

## LEGISLATIVE NOTES.

The Committee on Judiciary, of the House, has reported back an expedient, Captain Chipley's resolution to establish whipping posts in this State.

Col. Hamilton has introduced a joint resolution in the House to reappointment representation from the different counties of the State to the House of Delegates. Under the resolution as proposed Ohio county would be allowed five delegates instead of four, as it is now.

The House of Representatives, introduced a bill in the House yesterday, authorizing Judges of Circuit Courts to appoint stenographers where convenient and necessary.

The first bill asking an appropriation to construct a county bridge, was introduced in the House yesterday.

The different standing committees of the two Houses were busily engaged in their respective committee rooms yesterday afternoon, having under consideration the bills and resolutions referred to them.

Senator Woods has introduced a bill in the Senate to amend chapter 103 of the Code in relation to suits against corporations for the death of persons caused by the negligence of such corporations, so as to increase the amount to be sued for in order that appeals can be taken to the U. S. Supreme Court from the Circuit Court. The object of such an amendment was set forth in full in our legislative notes of yesterday.

Mr. Post of Harrison, wants a bill passed by Congress fixing a standard rate of interest for the loan of money, and making it a forfeiture of the entire loan for any violation of the same.

The Joint Railroad Committee appointed by the Legislature of 1877 will probably submit its report to-day. There will be a majority and minority report.

## West Virginia's Relations to the Virginia Debt.

The following is the Senate joint resolution introduced into the West Virginia Legislature on the subject of the Virginia debt:

WHEREAS, by an Ordinance of the Constitutional Convention of the restored Government of Virginia, held at Wheeling on the 20th day of August, 1861, providing for the formation of a new State out of a portion of the territory of the old State, it was provided that "the new State shall take upon itself a just proportion of the public debt of the Commonwealth of Virginia, prior to the first day of January, 1861, to be ascertained by charging to it all State expenditures within the limits thereof, and a just proportion of the ordinary expenses of the State government, since any part of said debt was contracted; and deducting therefrom the moneys paid into the Treasury of the Commonwealth from the counties included within the said new State during the same period."

AND WHEREAS, on the day of 18—

John J. Jacob, Esq., Governor of the State of West Virginia, in pursuance of a Joint Resolution of the Legislature thereof, passed on the 24th and 25th days of February, 1871, appointed three commissioners, in the persons of John J. Jackson, Jonathan M. Boy and Abigail W. Campbell, to confer with Commissioners of Virginia, upon the subject of the supposed indebtedness of the State of West Virginia to that State.

And WHEREAS, said Commissioners so appointed by Governor Jacob, among other things reported that, from the sources of information at their command, and after a protracted examination, there was something less than one million dollars due from the State of West Virginia, to the Commonwealth of Virginia.

AND WHEREAS, There has been thrown and quoted upon the market, so-called "West Virginia certificates," purporting to represent the indebtedness of the State, when in point of fact no such certificates have been issued by authority of this State, nor is the State in any manner liable for the payment thereof, nor does it in any manner recognize such certificates; therefore be it

Resolved, by the Legislature of West Virginia, That while we do not recognize nor admit any indebtedness on the part of this State to the State of Virginia, yet with a view to a final settlement of this question of debt between the State of West Virginia and ever has been ready to settle and adjust any matter in controversy between the two States, touching the said supposed indebtedness, on the basis contained in the ordinance aforesaid and upon no other basis.

## DIED.

WOODS—Monday afternoon, January 13, 1879, ALEX. M. WOOD, daughter of John Wood, of the twelfth year of age.

WETZEL—January 12, 1879, at 5 1/2 o'clock P. M., WILLIAM WETZEL, aged 34 years.

FUGAL WEDDING—Monday morning at 9 o'clock from his late residence, 2224 Market Street. The remains will be taken to the Cathedral. Interment at Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

## Special Notices.

## A CARD.

To all who are suffering from the error and indiscretions of youth, nervous weakness, early decay, loss of vitality, and all the attendant evils, I send a recipe that will cure you, FREE OF CHARGE, by the use of my "WATER CURE" by a CLAIRVOYANT. Send a self-addressed envelope to the REV. JOSEPH T. LEWIS, Station D, Bible House, New York City.

## TRAVELERS' GUIDE.

## DEPARTURE OF TRAINS—WHEELING TOWN.

B. &amp; O. R. R. 6:45 P. M. P. M. 11:15 P. M.

Cent. O. Div. 8:00 P. M. 11:15 P. M.

W. P. &amp; R. Div. 8:30 P. M. 11:15 P. M.

Clev. &amp; Phila. 6:10 P. M. 11:15 P. M.

P. C. &amp; S. L. 6:10 P. M. 11:15 P. M.

## ARRIVAL OF TRAINS.

B. &amp; O. R. R. 6:00 A. M. 7:00 A. M. 8:00 A. M.

Cent. O. Div. 11:30 A. M. 1:30 P. M. 3:30 P. M.

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